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Nicosia Bureau, FBIS	
Dear	STAT

I promised you last month that I would have our Administrative Staff review your case following your appeal to me for a reconsideration of your local hire status. Last week, I finally found time to meet with our Chief, Administrative Staff and Chief, Personnel Branch. I mentioned to them the points you made to me, emphasizing that you are not a Cypriot citizen and in fact considered only a temporary resident of Cyprus subject to annual renewal. This prompted a thorough review of your status. I regret to inform you that the ruling is unchanged. Based entirely on facts that twice you were hired in Cyprus to work for us, you are designated a locally hired employee.

I know this decision will not please you, but I hope you understand that we must abide by administrative policy decisions. There have been special rulings in the past--including one in Cyprus in 1967--that unilaterally decided on the status of some of our employees, but those rulings carry no precedent for subsequent cases. If you have further questions, please address them through your bureau chief to Chief, Administrative Staff, FBIS.

I'm sorry I could not present happier news in this letter. On the other hand, I enjoyed seeing you in April and wish you and your family best wishes for the future.

